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In re application of  
E. Alan Bates et al.  
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

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Sir:

In reply to the action mailed 04/28/99, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 3, line 19, between "of a pipette." and "The cap/cover" cancel the sentence presented in the AMENDMENT of 11/16/98 and substitute therefor the following revised sentence: --Well/opening 4, which is separate from window 2, has a top in the area of top edge